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I enclose a copy of the European search report just received in this case together with a copy of the International reference. The other reference is a Philip Morris patent of which I enclose only the front page for the purposes of identification.

As I usually mention at this stage in prosecution, the applicant is entitled upon issue of the search report to file voluntary amendments to the claims, and it is always worth considering whether there are strong reasons for such an amendment. In many if not most cases it is better to leave the prior art for the attention of the Examiner, to see what he makes of it.

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